

I support unbundling content from transmission. In the case of cable companies, this means acting as a common carrier, delivering various ISP's services across the cable modem. For telephone companies, the same would encourage competition and diversity. When one company controls transmission and content, they become a 'gatekeeper' regulating what's available. I don't understand why simply having a monopoly on transmission isn't enough for these companies.

I have both cable internet and DSL right now, because the cable company won't sell me a service that meets my needs (hosting a low volume server at my home). SBC, wants to force me to load a bunch of spyware for Yahoo on my machine and steer me to it's content all the time, and won't sell me service that doesn't use PPPoE (requiring an unstable 'dialer' program on my computer). I get my service from a CLEC, and am very concerned that it will become unavailable due to FCC rulings. Please empower the consumer from time to time, rather than these huge, unresponsive companies (SBC, Comcast, etc...).